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In re Application of:

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Examiner: KUMAR, Shailendra

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Title: INHIBITION OF RAF KINASE USING SYMMETRICAL AND
UNSYMMETRICAL SUBSTITUTED DIPHENYL UREAS

REPLY

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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated July 7, 2004, please consider the following
comments.

The Rejections Under 35 USC § 112

The Office Action alleges that claim 12 is missing. Applicants' last reply contained claim 12, and said claim was amended whereby a period was placed at the end of the claim. See page 6 of the last reply. A copy of the pending claims is provided.

Claim 1 was alleged to be indefinite for defining M and L¹, while these elements were missing from the formula. In claim 1, one of R³-R⁶ is M-L¹. See first line of page 3 of last reply.

The First Rejection Under 35 USC § 103

The Examiner rejects the claims over Minami even though no overlap in the formulae is present between the reference's disclosure and the present claims. This rejection is unfounded. Nothing in the reference suggests modifications to the compounds disclosed therein such that